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VICTIM: Lord Promise Nkenda



KILLERS: Left to right, Ephraim Idris, Anton Muir, Shamar Dawes and Ahmed Musa Abdille



# VALENTINE'S DAY KILLERS

Teenage carjackers sentenced for stabbing 17-year-old to death

by Piers Meyler

BBC local democracy reporter

A BARKNG teenager was one of five teens to be jailed for murdering a 17-year-old in Newham.

Lord Promise Nkenda, known as Promise, was murdered on Valentine's Day 2018.

In a premeditated attack, the group of five – driving a stolen BMW – ran him over and stabbed him repeatedly in the head and back.

The group were sentenced at the Old Bailey on Monday, February 4.

All five had previously denied murder but were found guilty.

Ephraim Idris, 18, of Dovehouse Mead, Barking, was sentenced to 16 years' detention in a young offender institution or prison.

Anton Muir, 18, from the Forest

Gate area was sentenced to 17 years' detention in a young offender institution or prison.

Ahmed Musa Abdille, 18, and Shamar Dawes, 18, both from the Forest Gate area, were sentenced to 18 years' detention in a young offender institution or prison.

A 15-year-old boy from Forest Gate, who cannot be named for legal reasons, was sentenced to 14 years' detention in a young offender institution or prison.

All five will have the time served on remand before sentencing subtracted from the length of their sentences.

The court heard that on Wednesday, February 14, 2018, the group carjacked a BMW from a woman in Fairland Road, Stratford, at about 6pm.

Just hours later, the car was

used as a battering ram to knock Promise down after he was located in Canning Town.

Promise attempted to escape, running down Butchers Road towards Goldwing Close, but the group chased him down before jumping out and stabbing him repeatedly.

Police were called by the London Ambulance Service shortly after 8pm. Promise was pronounced dead at the scene at 8.38pm.

Promise's brother, Patrick, told of the families devastation following the convictions in December.

"We feel empty and numb, but most of all incredibly sad. A part of us all died with him, alone on that east London street," he said.

A post-mortem examination the following day gave the cause of death as stab wounds to the chest.

Officers found the stolen BMW

crashed nearby in Victoria Dock Road and a knife and pair of latex gloves were discovered near the crime scene and forensically linked to the attack.

DCI Dave Whellams, who led the investigation, said: "This group acted together from start to finish to execute this murder. They were ruthless in their determination to kill Promise and have refused to cooperate with police from the outset.

"Promise had his whole life ahead of him and wanted to pursue a career in the music industry. He stood no chance against the onslaught of this group inflicted on him.

"The calculated nature of this attack where criminality like carjacking was just a means to an end is also disturbing and I can only hope that today's verdict serves as some comfort to Promise's family."

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BRIGHT FUTURES: The new class of nursing associates with chief nurse Kathryn Halford OBE, centre

# Praise for new batch of nursing graduates

by Lewis Berrill

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THE new nursing associate role has the potential to transform nursing, a senior NHS nurse has said.

Kathryn Halford OBE, chief nurse at Barking, Havering and Redbridge University Hospitals NHS Trust, delivered the assessment as the trust's first class of nursing associates graduated.

On Tuesday, January 29, the trust which runs Queen's and King George hospitals, gathered to celebrate the 29 associates who graduated following two years' training.

The trust was one of the first in

the country to pilot the nursing associate programme after the role was introduced in 2017.

Chief nurse Halford said: "This new role has the potential to transform the nursing and care workforce. I can't wait for them to start working on our wards and wish them the best of luck as they continue to learn their craft."

"I'm really excited that this role gives more people the chance to progress in their careers. Some may even eventually become registered nurses if that's where their interests lie. It's a very positive opportunity."

Jill Alingbas, a nursing associate graduate, said: "I've always wanted

to get into nursing but because I was a single mum, I couldn't afford university fees as well as lose my wages.

"The trainee nursing associate role was ideal for me because I could learn and earn at the same time so I could continue to support my family."

"I have loved going back to university and meeting new people. The whole experience has really boosted my confidence and given me the courage to believe I can do anything I put my mind to."

"There have been times when I thought it was tough and demanding, but I did it and so my advice to everyone is take the chance, it is worth it."

## Magazine pair fined

THE company behind a magazine aimed at getting teenagers into business has been ordered to pay thousands of pounds after dozens of young people were caught trying to sell it without a licence.

David Sonovo and Darren Olawale, the directors of Inside Success Union, have been banned from street trading in Barking and Dagenham and must pay £2,500 to the council.

Inside Success is sold on the street for £5 and gives teenagers information about mentoring and ways into business.

British rappers, grime artists and actor Idris Elba have featured on the front cover.

Enforcement officers said they saw between 15 and 20 young people trying to sell the publication in Barking town centre in July last year.

The directors of the company, which is based in Stockwell, were fined at the time and told they must get a trader licence.

However, the group continued to sell in Barking town centre and the company was hauled before Romford County Court this month.

Councillor Margaret Mullane, cabinet member for enforcement and community safety, said: "We're determined to stamp out the actions of people who undermine our valued businesses and traders."

"We know residents are concerned about rogue traders and we'll continue to look out for anyone breaking the rules."

"We won't hesitate to prosecute any traders found doing this."

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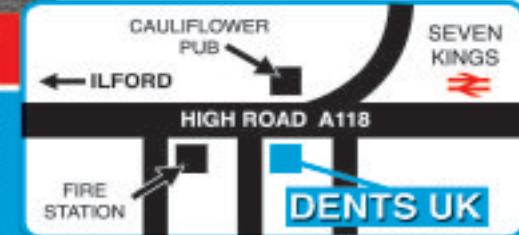
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# Man, 21, in hospital as police hunt knifeman

A MAN is in hospital with serious injuries after being stabbed.

The 21-year-old victim from Buckhurst Hill was attacked by a man in Danbury Road, Loughton, at about 3.20pm on Monday 4 February.

The suspect was reported to have left the scene in a dark coloured vehicle.

The victim was taken to hospital with a wound to his abdomen.

DS Jody Greenfield, of Loughton CID, said: "Our investigation is in its early stages, but we believe this was a targeted incident."

"We are continuing our search for the suspect and are appealing for witnesses and anyone with information that could help us identify him."

Police would also like to hear from anyone who was in the area at the time and has dashcam footage.

Officers have patrolled the area to provide extra reassurance and anyone with information should speak with them, or call Loughton CID on

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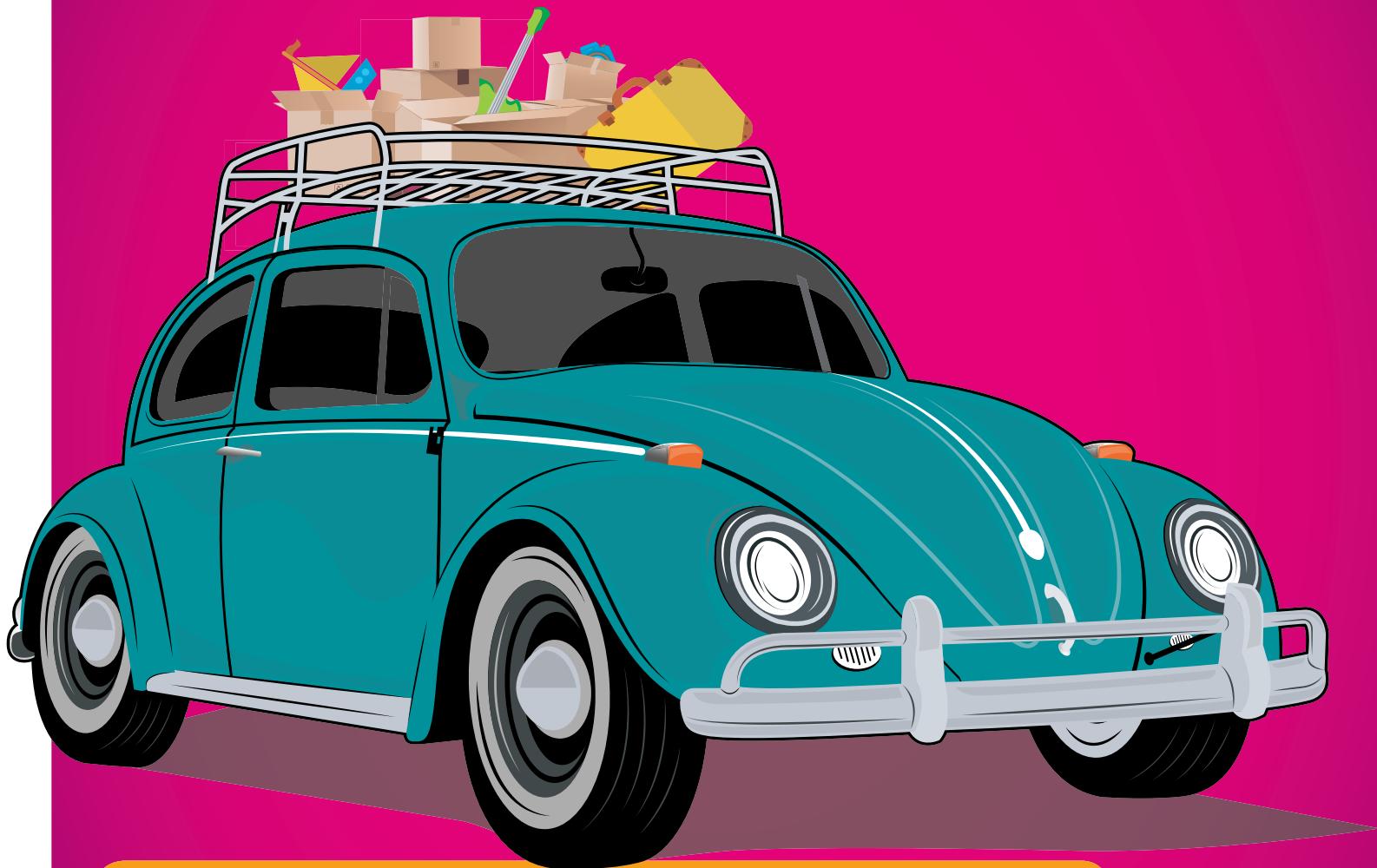
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